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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 3rd April, 2025

ECF No.635218.- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 5 of the Assam Forest Regulation of 1891 (VII of 1891), the Governor of Assam is pleased to declare that the land described in the schedule annexed here to is proposed to be constituted as a Proposed Reserve Forest and appoints the Addl. District Commissioner(Revenue), Sonitpur, to be the Forest Settlement Officer to inquire into and determine the existence, nature and extent of any rights claimed by or alleged to exist in favour of any person in or over land comprised within such limits and described in the Schedule annexed here to and to deal with same as provided in Chapter-II of the above Regulation.

Under the provisions of Section 5, Sub-Section (2) of the aforesaid Assam Forest Regulation, the Governor of Assam is pleased to appoint the Divisional Forest Officer, Nagaon Wildlife Division, Nagaon to assist the Forest Settlement Officer, in the inquiries prescribed in Chapter-II of the Regulation in connection with the proposed reservation.

Under the provisions of Section 15 of the said Regulation, the Governor of Assam appoints the Director of Land Record, Assam to hear appeals on the order of the Forest settlement Officer.

SCHEDULE "A"

Proposed reserved forest at Compensatory Afforestation Reserved at Burhachapori No. 3

1. Situation (a) District (Civil)	:Sonitpur District
(b) Forest Division	:Nagaon Wildlife Division
(c) Forest Range	:Dhaniala Range, Burhachapori
(d) Revenue Circle	:Tezpur
(e) Name	:Compensatory Afforestation Reserved at BurhachaporiNo. 3
(f) Area	:13.3 Ha

2. Boundaries :

North : 1st Addition to Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary and 2nd Addition of Orang National Park & Tiger Reserved
 South : Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary
 East : Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary
 West : Kochmara Reserved Forest

3. Location, Perimeter, Area along with GPS Co-ordinates of Compensatory Afforestation.

GPS POINT	Latitude	Longitude	Area	Name of Location
1	26° 32' 8.644" N	92° 37' 7.190" E	13.3 Hectare	Govt. un-surveyed land under Sonitpur District, surrounded by Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary
2	26° 32' 9.529" N	92° 37' 12.040" E		
3	26° 32' 17.508" N	92° 37' 10.817" E		
4	26° 32' 30.891" N	92° 37' 6.664" E		
5	26° 32' 27.556" N	92° 36' 53.865" E		
6	26° 32' 22.937" N	92° 36' 54.955" E		
7	26° 32' 24.962" N	92° 37' 2.947" E		
8	26° 32' 16.353" N	92° 37' 5.197" E		

SCHEDUL "B"

- Valuation of the Forest Area (In terms of quality of the forest and canopy density):- The proposed raising Compensatory Afforestation area inside the CA land Bank of 830 hectare of evicted non-forest land adjacent to the Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary.
- Description of Soil:- Sandy loam.
- Description of Forest:- (Giving details types of species present) - NA
- Wildlife:- NA
- Medicinal Plants:- Not found.
- List of Surroundings,

North	:1 st Addition to Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary and 2 nd Addition of Orang National Park & Tiger Reserve.
South	:Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary
East	:Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary
West	:Kochmara Reserved Forest
- Area of the proposed Reserved Forest: -13.3 ha

Reason for Reservation:

- As per the modification in compensatory afforestation (CA) land from Degraded Forest land (DFL) to Non-Forest land (NFL) proposed in the "In Principal Approval/Stage-I Forest Clearance" already accorded by the Central Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change vide letter no. 3-ASB/116/2022/GHY Dated 21.10.2024 for diversion of 7 Nos. exploratory drilling locations viz: TLAA (1.76783

- ha), TLAB (1.781 ha), DPAB (1.889 ha), SUAD (1.82125 ha), SPAA (1.731 ha), ELAJ (2.2091 ha) and KSAI (2.10 ha) in favour of ONGC under Golaghat Forest Division, Golaghat, the Advisory Committee decided to consider the proposals for stage-II after the NFL of area 13.3 ha identified for CAIs mutated in favour of Forest Department.
2. The Government of Assam, Revenue & Disaster Management Department, Dispur vide letter No. ECF.439104/2024/16 dated 29.07.2024 has allotted / transferred the 830 hectare of the land in the name of State Forest Department for raising of plantation as Compensatory Afforestation under Sonitpur District. And the land of area 13.3 ha has been identified for consolidated CA against the above mentioned 7 proposals from the said land bank under Sonitpur District of Government of Assam adjacent to Burhachapari Wildlife Sanctuary.
 3. Compensatory Afforestation is one of the most important requirement/conditions for prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land for non-forest purposes and purpose of compensatory afforestation is to compensate the loss of 'land by land' and loss of 'trees by trees'. As per rule. 13 of Van Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Rule, 2023, the user agency shall provide land which is neither notified as forest under the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (16 of 1927) or any other law nor managed by forest by the Forest Department.

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